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NEW YORK, THURSDAY, MAY 24, 1888.

BROOKLYN NEWS.

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WAITE SPEAKS HIS PIECE.

HE WAS CALLED TO TOWN BY TELEGRAPH TO VOTE AWAY BROADWAY.

Bourke Cockran Discharges a Torrent of Objections, but the People's Charlie Keeps on Testifying-Kerr's Counsel Demand Testimony to Connect Him with the Conspiracy-That Morning Meeting.

"The People's Charlie," otherwise Chas. B. Waite, is just as rotund as of old; his face has that same baby complexion-pink and

But he was crestfallen when he ascended to the witness chair this morning in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, in the trial of Thomas B. Kerr for bribery, and his eyes blinked uncertainly, as if he had his doubts in regard to the opinion in which he is held by the people who used to claim him in the old, prosperous days when he was Alderman and hotel proprietor, when railway franchises and boodle were prevalent, and when he could get a big loan, way up in the thousands, from President Jim Richmond, of the Broadway surface road, without so much as an I. O. U. for security.

Court Officer Jule Arnold grew tenderhearted to-day, and nearly everybody who sought admittance to the scene of the trial was passed. There were not many, for even the trial of a millionaire for the purchase at wholesale of half a million dollars' worth of municipal legislators becomes uninteresting Thomas B. Kerr for bribery, and his eyes

wholesale of half a million dollars' worth of municipal legislators becomes uninteresting when the Jacob Sharp Hamlet and Foshay Laertes have given up the ghost.

Waite presided over the extraordinary meeting of the twenty-two Aldermen who passed the franchise to Sharp, Foshay, Richmond, Kerr & Co. on Aug. 80, 1884, at 9 o'clock in the morning, but he was never charged with corruption in the matter. He was a near and, from a financial standpoint, a dear friend of President Richmond, and it was not necessary to purchase him.

chase him.

Col. Fellows read the proceedings of that meeting and then asked the ex-Alderman if he had had a conversation with Richmond prior to this meeting regarding a surface rail-

prior to this meeting regarding a surface railway in Broadway.

Bourke Cockran strenuously protested,
Mr. Kerr was not present, and conversations
to which he was not a party, even as a listener, could be of no weight against him.

Col. Fellows replied at leight and Mr.
Cockran rejoined. "Jacob Sharp was the
compasy," he said, "according to the theory
of the prosecution, and now they want to
hold the officers responsible. Presently they
will try to catch the stockholders, and eventnally the passengers will be tried probably."

He demanded again that the connection of
Kerr with the conspiracy be shown before
the conspiracy itself be proved.

Justice Patterson overruled the objection,
and Assistant District-Attorney Fitzgerald
took up the examination of Waite.

McLaughlin, Dempsey, De Lacey, Miller
and himself, Waite said, constituted the
Railroad Committee of the Board of Aldermen of 1884. They had a meeting on Aug. 5,
and the first hearing was given in regard to

and the first hearing was given in regard to the Broadway franchise. Osborne E. Bright appeared for the Broadway surface road. "Did you, prior to the meeting, agree as to what your report should be?" asked Mr.

Fitzgerald.

Mr. Cockran was up again. He poured forth a to rent or objections to this question, and another half hour was squandered in a squabble about its admissibility.

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Waite said yes, they did agree in advance, Waite was at his New London hotel on Aug. 29, and received a telegram that evening, in response to which he came to New York early the next morning. At the Brevoort House he saw and talked with Richmond, who told him there was to be a meeting of the Common Council at 9 o'clock.

He met Richmond and O. E. Bright in the basement of the Court-House at 9 o'clock, on his way to the meeting, and received from them a certified copy of the order of Justice Bartlett dissolving the Lyddy injunction.

This order left the hands of the Board of Aldermen free, and between 9 and 10 o'clock, when no court was open to issue another in-

when no court was open to issue another injunction, the Board granted the franchise to the Broadway surface road, all the boodlers being present and voting for it.

On cross-examination Waite said that he had met Kerr only once, and he thought that the Broadway surface road's offer the best reads in 1884.

made in 1884.

Francis J. Twomey, Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, was called to tell about the various proceedings of the Board relative to the franchise.

TOBACCO IN THE BABY'S MOUTH.

A Woman Accused of Trying to Murder Child Out of Malice.

A few days ago Mrs. Margaret Gleason wa turned out of doors by her own family after a quarrel and sought shelter at the home of Mrs Eliza Schultz, 12 Clinton street, Hobo-ken. Here she was accommodated until yes-terday morning, when she was ordered out because of her disposition to run the house and its affairs.

Mrs. Schultz works out during the day-time. Tuesday evening when she returned

time. Tuesday evening when she returned she found her four months old baby lying on a bed in the agonies of suffocation with its mouth stuffed with fine smoking tobacco. The child's mouth was quickly relieved of The child's mouth was quickly relieved of tits horrible gag and the police were notified. They found Mrs. Gleason crouching in the cellar of the house and placed her under argest. She was taken before Recorder McDonough yesterday and committed for trial on a charge of attempted murder.

The baby is getting along nicely, but would have been dead only for its mother's timely return.

Mrs. Fox-Jenkins Discharged.

histers. Spiritualistic mediums, was arraigned in Special Besssions this morning on the charge of en-dangering the morals of her little boy Henry. She was discharged on the ground that the complaint was defective.

New York Markets. WHEAT.—June options opened I point below last hight's closing quotation, at 94c. Subsequently the quotation declined 10 98%c, but just before floor recovered to the opening price. Market strong.

Strong.

Corrow.—Futures opened at about last night's blosing figures. May. 9.91; June. 9.93; July. 10.06; Aug., 10.16; Sept., 2.73; Oct., 9.46; Nov., 9.47; Dec., 9.85; Jun., 9.48; Feb., 9.46; Nov., 0.17; Dec., 9.86; Jun., 9.48; Feb., 9.46; March. 6.11. Market steady. Liverpool firm.

Coyren.—Market opened about 5 points up. May, 14.65; June. 18.90; July, 13.35; Aug., 12.70; Sept., 11.95; Oct., 11.65; Nov., Dec., Jan., Feb., March., 11.50. Market active. Hamburg and Havre Grus.

Favrouscus.—Fipe Line certificates opened 4cc. Paractives.—Pipe Line certificates opened ico-bove last night's closing quotation, at 80%, tarket strong, and just before noon the quotation

WITH SONG, SERMON AND PRAYER.

Laying the Corner-Stone of the New Catholic University at Washington.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.1 WASHINGTON, May 24.—Notwithstanding the fact that a drizzling rain has been falling all day, there will be no change in the programme of laying the corner-stone of the new Catholic University this afternoon.

The divinity building which is situated at Brooks station, on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, at a little distance from this city, Railroad, at a little distance from this city, has been roofed in temperarily and the entire structure is onamented with shields and flags. Seats have beee provided for over three thousand spectators, and a division is reserved for the Cabinet, the Diplomatic Corps, the judiciary, heads of departments; Senators and Representatives.

At 4 o'clock Cardinal Gibbons and the assistant Bishops will ascend the rostrum and begin the ceremonies.

They will afterwards descend to the corner-stone and continue the ceremonies with chants and prayers of blessings by holy water.

water.

Among the articles to be placed under the corner-stone will be a roll of parchment, with a classic Latin inscription stating the facts concerning the ceremony, the Catholic Almanac for 1888, the Congressional Directory and copies of all the local papers.

During the exercises the Cardinal will present to Miss Caldwell the gold medal sent to her by the Pope in recognition of her ser vices.

The following is the official order of exercises:

cises:

Opening anthem, "The Heavens Are Telling."
Chorus by full choir.
Blessing the site of the University Chapel, by Cardinal Gibbons.
Chauting of Psalm 84, by a choir of 200 students from St. Mary's Theological Seminary, Baltimore.
Laying the corner-stone by Cardinal Gibbons.
Canting of Psalm 127.
Procession of the Cardinal and clergy around the foundation of the building.
Chanting of Psalm 122.
Lang's "Veni Creator," or invocation of the Holy Ghost, by choir and full marine band.
Bermon by Bishop J. L. Spalding, of Peoris, III.

III.

Benedletion by the Cardinal.

'Hallelujah" Chorus by the full choir and

NO BLOOD SPILLED SO FAR.

Indications That Tailor Blissert and Mr Charles Palmer Will Not Fight.

Up to the hour of going to press no blood had been spilt in the affair of honor between

Tailor Robert Blissert and Charle P. Palmer, Courtlandt Palmer's brother.

Each party is said to have appointed a second, and imaginary missives are hourly exchanged, but as Mr. Blissert is known to have been engaged cutting cloth for gentlemen's garments since an early hour this morning, it can be confidently stated that the principals have not yet proceeded to extremities.

When the belligerent tailor reached his store, at 851 Broadway, early this morning, having just come from his country residence, at Whitestone, L. I., he found the sidewalk black with reporters and other interested

persons.
Mr. Blissert's Celtic blood was still at boil-Mr. Blissert's Celtic blood was still at boiling pitch and one of his pockets bulged as though there might be a duelling pistol there. He said Mr. Palmer had mortally offended him on Tuesday at the office of the Cortlandt Palmer estate, and admitted having sent a letter challenging him to a duel. Mr. Palmer had not yet replied, but if he did not do so to-day he would— "But there'll be no occasion for words in that event," hissed the tailor.

Mr. Palmer refuses to talk, but it is thought he will decline to fight Mr. Blissert.

IN FAVOR OF EARLY CLOSING.

Public School Pupils Want Vacation to Be gin Before July 2.

The pupils in the public schools are agitating the subject of an earlier closing this year

ing the subject of an earlier closing this year before the summer vacation. The schools are not closed until July 2, and it is urged that the weather is too warm about that time for school sessions, and therefore unhealthy for the boys and girls and the teachers.

A teacher who was talked with on the subject said to an Evening World reporter that it would be much better for all concerned if the schools were closed on the last Friday in June This would give all who spend the summer in the country ample time to prepare and leave the city before the weather became convessively warm.

oppressively warm.

As it is, many pupils are withdrawn from the schools before July 1.

HENRY AND IRENE ARE WEDDED.

The Ceremony Took Place at Midday in the Castle Chapel at Charlottenburg.

BERLIN, May 24.-Thousands of people stood in the vicinity of the castle at Charlottenburg at noon to-day, and shortly afterwards the pealing of bells announced that the ceremony uniting in wedlock Prince Henry, of Prussia, and Princess Irene, of Hesse, had begun.

A salute of thirty-six guns at 12.30 told the multitude the couple were married. The ceremonies took place in the castle chapel, the Emperor and Empress being present.

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ALL THE BISHOPS ELECTED.

DR. JOHN P. NEWMAN AND DR. GOODSELL CHOSEN THIS AFTERNOON.

Ballot-Box, but the Delegates Declare that They Are Honest Men and Refuse to Entertain His Resolution-The Reporters Surprise the Tellers.

When Bishop Foster called the General Methodist Conference to order this morning all the delegates were in their seats for about the first time since the opening day. Dr. Newman was in his customary seat when the result of the tenth ballot, which was taken

yesterday, was made known. This ballot resulted in no election. There were 435 votes cast, and 290 were necessary to a choice. Dr. Newman received 274; Dr. Goodsell, 267, and Dr. Cranston, 216.

The result had hardly been announced when Dr. Baylis offered a resolution in the interests of an honest vote. He suggested that when a conference was called the delegates should rise and pass their votes to the teller, who should then declare the number of votes cast, of which an accurate tally

should be kept.
The members of the Conference would not The members of the Conference would not hear of such a thing. They were all honest men, they said, and they did not feel inclined to submit to any such indignity. Amid the cries of "Vote! Vote!" a delegate arose and paid a glowing tribute to the zeal, energy and enterprise of the newspapers, but he put it differently. He declared that as the results of the tenth ballot had been printed in the morning papers some one of the tellers must have broken his word and "given away" the vote.

away" the vote.
Dr. Buckley, although recognized as a newspaper man, was also at a loss to understand how such a thing could be, unless some one had blundered. A teller here arose and said that as the charge had been made that one of their number had disregarded the instructions of the Bishop and divulged the result of a ballot, he thought that the charge should be met.

sult of a ballot, he thought that the charge should be met.

The Rev. W. I. Cogshall, of Niles, Mich., one of the tellers, then said: "I do not believe that any one of the tellers have leaked. Reporters are too smart for us. They station themselves at every keyhole, every window and every corner. We have to keep a strict watch when canvassing a ballot, We search every corner, under every table and in every closet, and even then we find some enterprising scribe who has kept tally about as well as we have."

The eleventh ballot showed that a deal had evidently been made. Newman gained 2 votes, Goodsell lost 54, Cranston dropped 48, Kynett gained 55. The result was as follows: Votes cast, 433; necessary to a choice, 259; Newman, 276; Goodsell, 213; Cranston, 168; Kynett, 79; Payne, 43, and Peck, 26.

The twelfth and thirteenth ballots failed to elect, but on the fourteenth ballots failed to elect, but on the fourteenth ballots failed to elect, but on the fourteenth ballot Dr. Newman was elected by a vote of 320 out of 438 ballots cast. Dr. Goodsell came next with 203 votes.

The fifteenth ballot gave Goodsell 237

203 votes.
The fifteenth ballot gave Goodsell 237 votes, Kynett 97, Cranston 69 and Payne 18.
On the sixteenth ballot Dr. Goodsell was elected y a vote of 320 out of 430.

NO OPPOSITION TO MR. MURPHY NOW.

He Probably Will Be Chairman of the Democratic State Committee.

emblyman William F. Sheeban, o Buffalo: Lieut.-Gov. Jones: George S. Weed, of Plattsburg, son of Smith M. Weed; ex-State Treasurer Robert A. Maxwell, Mayor Kirk, of Syracuse; John M. Wiley, of Buffalo, and several other prominent Democrats, formed a group in the corridor of the Hoffman House at 10.39 a. m. to-day.

Ex-Mayor William R. Grace entered by the Broadway entrance, and one of the distinguished Democrats was heard to remark.

guished Democrats was heard to remark:
"Here comes the only element of discord.
He is trying to defeat the re-nomination of

Hill."

The ex-Mayor walked along the corridor, bowed to the group of statesmen and proceeded to the Clerk's desk. He asked for the number of the room occupied by ex-Mayor Edward Murphy, of Troy, and went

The Democratic State Committee will have

The Democratic State Committee will have an adjourned meeting at the Hoffman House at 8 o'clock this evening. The committee will form a permanent organization by electing a chairman, secretary and treasurer.

When the committee formed a temporary organization on May 15 ex. Mayor Edward Murphy was elected temporary Chairman. The County Democracy and a number of rural delegates voted against him, and it was said that he would not be re-elected permanent Chairman; that the friends of the National Administration would elect D. Cady Herrick, of Albany, to the post of honor.

There has evidently been a change in the position of affairs, as everything now indicates the election of Mr. Murphy as permanent Chairman. A whisper is going the rounds of the Hoffman House to the effect that Washington has been heard from and that there will be no opposition to Mr. Murphy's election.

Murphy's election.

Judge William L. Muller will not be reelected Secretary. He will probably be suceeded by Mr. Cord Meyer, jr., of Queens
County.

The committee will insist upon ex-Mayor
Edward Cooper accepting the treasurership
of the committee.

CONTRACTOR SOUTHARD PAROLED,

He Expining Yesterday's Accident at Broad way and John Street.

Hundreds of people stopped on their way lowntown this morning to gaze at the debris of the fallen wall at the corner of Broadway and John street, where yesterday afternoon Foreman Daniel Mahoney was killed outright

Foreman Daniel Mahoney was killed outright and several other men were injured, the first news of which was published in THE EVENING WORLD'S extra.

The work of demolition was still going on as though nothing had happened.

John Lynch, of 17 Bloomfield street, who received injuries to his back and abdomen, was this morning too ill for removal to Bellevus from Chambers Street Hospital.

John Sullivan, of 300 East Forty-sixth street, who received a scalp wound and internal injuries, the nature of which has not yet developed, was this morning suffering greatly in Bellevue Hospital.

Cornelius Leary, of 58 Oak street, and Michael Moriarty, of 154 Leonard street, who received some bad bruises, went to their homes last night.

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Contractor Southard was taken before Coroner Nugent this forenoon. He accompanied the Coroner to the scene of the accident, where he explained that the floor gave way because it was improperly secured in the construction of the building. He was not aware of the insecure condition of the floor.

Coroner Nugent paroled Southard ustody of his counsel. ash, St. Louis & Pac. pid 14% 14% 15% Chronic Nasat. Cayaran positively sured b

Jamaica, L. I., fell into the Thirty-eighth street excavation, in South Brooklyn, las

street excavation, in South Brooklyn, last night and received injuries from which it is thought that he will die.

A number of laborers saw him fall, and rushed to his assistance. They found him lying on his face at the bottom of a forty-foot bank, with an ugly gash in his head. He was taken to the Seney Hospital, where he lies in a critical condition.

Since the excavation was begun, many months ago, there has been, on an average, one accident a day.

The Drowned Girl Identified The body of the young girl who was picked up it the bay Monday at the foot of Fifty-fifth stree South Brooklyn, was this morning identified as that of Maggie Skiener, of 237 Grand street, New York. She, it is said, fell from a dock on May 2.

Brooklyn Brevities.

The attention of the Brooklyn police has been called to the number of loafers of both sexes that infest the steps of houses of respectable people in upper Adams street after nightfall. In Justice Kenna's Court, Brooklyn, this morning, Thomas Crowley, of 241 York street, was held for examination on a charge of stealing a watch from Patrick Brett, of 344 Flushing avenue, in July, 1883. The warrant had been out for Crowley nearly five years.

ASSAILED BY A POLICEMAN.

Gen. J. Madison Drake Roughly Handled for Criticioing Henry Miller.

PERCIAL TO THE WORLD. ELIZABETH, N. J., May 24.-A hostile counter took place last night in Broad street Elizabeth, between Gen. J. Madison Drake Commander of the Veteran Zouaves, and Policenian Henry Miller.

Miller was off duty. He met Gen. Drake Miller was off duty. He met Gen. Drake as he was walking along the street. Miller sprang at him, seizing him by the throat and choking him against the wall of a building, meanwhile shaking him vigorously. Gen. Drake was powerless in the grasp of his assailant, who is a strongly built man. He was very roughly handled before the bystanders could interfere and pull the policeman

The cause of the attack is said to be an article published by Gen. Drake in his paper, the Sunday Leader, reflecting on the policeman's uniform, and also on the manner in which he performed his duty.

Gen. Drake, after being released from Miller's clutches, went before Councilman Ogden, Chairman ef the Police Committee, and made a formal complaint against the policeman.

JERSEY CITY NEWS.

Four Thousand Sunday-School Children to Parade To-Day.

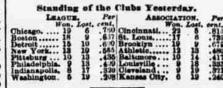
If rain doesn't interfere Jersey City's downtown streets will be filled with marching children this afternoon during the annual parade of the Sunday-schools south of the Pennsylvania Raliroad. Eight schools, with about four thousand children, will be in line. At the close of the exercises in the churches the schools will unite at Van Vorst Park, whore the children will be reviewed by Mayor Cleveland.

Thrashed with a Heavy Strap.

Michael O'Mealia, a burly fellow, living at 30 conmouth street, was before Justice Sti morning on a charge of inhumanly beating his thirteen-year-old child Mamie with a heavy strap. The child's limbs and body are out and bruised in a dozen places. She ran away from her home after the beating. O'Mealia was remanded.

Jersey City Jottings.

The body of Philip Moschel, of 248 Monmouth street, who had been missing since May 13, was found in the river at Pavonia avenue this morning. Hugh McGurdy, a fifteen-year-old, was com-nitted for trial by Justice Stilling this morning or



Diamond Dust. The Myrties defeated the Woodlawns by a score of 6 to 8 on the latter's grounds.

The Irvings would like to hear from all nines under sixteen. Address Joseph Cooper, 408 Second avenue.

Two infielders would like to join a good club; have good references. Address Uhas. Boyle, 300 West Fifteenth street.

West Fitteenth street.

J. Robinson, of 518 East Twenty-first street, would like to join a uniformed nine who are in need of a good player.

The young Puritans would like to challenge all nines under fourteen years of age. G. O'Reilly, 472 Baltic street, Brooklyn.

At Peekskill—'Cintons," of Yorkville, 5; Travis, of Feekskill, 2. Batteries—Powers and Garvey; Freel and Brandie.

I would like to hear from a rew good ball-players, ages from seventeen to nineteen. Address M. Jackson, 272 Bowery, New York.

Jackson, 872 Bowery, New York.

Samuel Schwartz, manager of the Alert Baseball Club, formerly the Tichner and Leon, claims the amateur championship of New York.

Wm. Shaw, Manager Unique Baseball Club. The club having the largest score at end were winners, providing there had been five innings played.

The City Baseball Club would like to hear from any regularty organized club in the Eastern District, the Hoffmans preferred. Our reorganized team is as follows: H. Robinson, c.; C. Reynolds, p.; M. Reynolds, lat c.; E. J. Trembly, 3d b.; E. M. Anderson, s. s.; H. Haswell, 3d b.; John Chambers, r. f.; F. L. Condit, c. f.; Harry Frieluuch, L. f. Address John Chambers, 50 Broadway, Williamsburg.

lunch, L. f. Address John Chambers, 60 Broadway, Williamsburg.

The Phonicia Baseball Club has organized for the coming season with the following players: L. Emanuel, b.; A. Manteau, c.; M. M. Riein, 1st., and captain: N. Harris, 2d b.; A. Fuhr, 3d b.; H. Oppenheimer, a. a.; G. Karmel, c. f.; J. Wilson, r. L.; F. Altheimer, L. f. They would like to hear from clubs whose members are between eighteen and twenty years of age. Address E. J. Halstead, box 5, 242 Sixth avenue, city.

box 5, 242 Sixth avenue, city."

The Claremonts have organized for the season of iss8, and would like to hear from clubs whose members' ages range octween fifteen and seventeen. Address all communications to H. Jantzer. 221 Second avenue. The following are the players: John Dwyer, c.; E. Taylor, p.; M. Esseman, lat b.; K. Zabriskie, 2d b.; H. Jantzer, 3d b.; John Sipp, s. s.; H. Ansouettel, L. f.; Peter Jantzer, r. f.; James Campbell, c. f. and change catcher.

George Ferinval, eldest son of Doorman Ferinval, of the East Sixty-seventh street police station, was struck on the head and seriously injured by a piece of fron that fell from a painters' scaffold at his home, 411 East Sixty-first street. nome, til hast blay-aret street.

A vocal and instrumental concert under the direction of Miss Martha W. Hansom will be given at the Mariners' Church, Madison and Catharine streets, this evening. Loney, the humorist, will take part in the entertainment.

Sudden Death of Broker Wing. C. T. Wing, a bond broker, connected with the

INFLUENCE A GOOD THING.

SENATORS BEGIN TO INVESTIGATE CIVIL A man supposed to be Morris Fosdick, of SERVICE IN THE CUSTOM-HOUSE.

> Brooklyn Man's Experience as an Office Holder-He Says He Passed an Examination and Was Then Advised to Get Letters from Politicians and Join a Ward

It was 10.30 o'clock when two of the Senators who have come from Washington to investigate civil service in the Custom-House made their appearance at the Post-Office Building this morning.

They were Senator Blackburn, the flery orator from the Blue Grass State, and Senator Spooner, of Wisconsin, representing the Democratic and Republican sides of the committee respectively.

Senator Hale, of Maine, Chairman of the sub-committee, was detained at the Fifth Avenue Hotel by an attack of rheumatism. In the absence of Senator Hale, the chair was occupied by Senator Spooner, who is a

was occupied by Senator Spooner, who is a nervous-looking little gentleman, dressed in black and wearing a big black and white striped necktie. He also wears glasses and a small dark mustache, and does not look more than thirty-five. Senator Blackburn, a big, massive Ken-tuckian, with a heavy brown mustache, was dressed in a blue flannel suit and wore spec-

The investigation was begun with the read ing of the Senate resolution under which the committee was authorized to investigate all matters relating to the workings of the Civilmatters relating to the workings of the CivilService law in any branch of the public
service, with reference both to the distribution of offices as a reward for political
service or by political favor, and to the participation of public officials in the United
States service in political conventions.

The first witness was John Conway, of
Brooklyn, who said he was forty-five years
old and had applied in 1886 for a civil-service
examination for the position of Assistant
Weigher.

old and had applied in 1888 for a civil-service examination for the position of Assistant Weigher.

He passed the examination successfully, his percentage being 84.6, but he was informed by Deputy Collectors Davis and Mason, that before he could get appointed it would be a good thing to get letters from men of prominence or influence in the party.

It was also suggested to him that he ought to belong to a ward organization if he expected to get a position. He was informed that Mr. Murths, of Brooklyn, had charge of the Brooklyn patronage and that he was the right man to apply to.

He made application for membership in a Brooklyn Democratic Ward organization, but he didn't know whether he was even admitted. He had a good deal of trouble about it, because he had once been arrested for voting before he was of age, and this was brought up against him.

He got letters from several prominent politicians, which he gave to Mr. Davis, and on Oct. 30, 1887, he obtained an appointment as assistant weigher. He held this position until Jan. 24, 1888, when he was dismissed without cause.

without cause.

Several attempts to get a statement of the charges against him from the Collector, he said, had been unavailing, and he had never been able to learn the cause of his discharge, except that it had been for some political Conway said that one man, who had failed

Conway said that one man, who had failed to pass the examination, got a list of questions afterwards and his papers were fixed up somehow and he got in, at least he was told so by Weigher Joseph Carroll. Another man was drunk all the time and yet was not discharged.

He reported a man named Ryan once for some deficiency, and he was removed. He heard afterwards that Ryan was an intimate friend of Surveyor Beattie, and he thought that might have had something to do with his dismissal.

Senator Blackburn took the witness in hand, and Conway said he was a Democrat.

The next witness was Kenneth K. Blauvelt, an ex-Inspector of Customs. He understood

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He told Senator Spooner about a conversation he heard between two inspectors, names unknown, one of whom said he had paid \$100 to get through his examination.

In regard to the "Widow Maguinis's pig raffle, which took place in a Whitehall street saloon, in October, 1885, he said that he had been invited to subscribe to the raffle by Superintendent of Inspectors John M. Wyatt, and that it was generally understood that it was a contribution to the political campaign fund of that year. About \$2,500 was raised.

When Senator Blackburn took the witness in hand the latter could give no detais in regard to any of the charges he had made.

Senator Spooner then called Mr. Davis, a brother of ex-Judge Noah Davis, who was dismissed from the service last July, after having served since 1863. He said that no charges had ever been made against him.

Mr Davis said that a large percentage of the present force of Custom-House inspectors were "such men as no business house would employ—ginmill fellows, in fact."

In 1863 there were more Democrats than Republicans in the Custom-House. Among them were three sons of rebel generals and one deputy who was an appointee of Jeff Davis's.

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"I don't know."

"How else could they get in?"

The witness said there were various ways, and suggested preparing two sets of papers for applicants as one method. He did not know anything about it of his personal knowledge.

The witness said he had often been compelled since 1885 to do the work of men who were incapacitated by drunkenness. He could not give the names of any such men, but said one of them was a brother-in-law of Senator Jacobs. In September last he contributed 50 cents for what was ostensibly a raffle for a pig, but which he believed to be "to buy swill for the pig," or, in other words, to be a political contribution to the Democrats.

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Senator Blackburn asked if the witness had senator Blackburn asked it the witness had ever paid any political assessments prior to 1885 and since the Civil-Service law came into operation. This question was objected to by Senator Spooner and was permitted to remain in abeyance until other members of the committee should be present.

Trotting at Fleetwood. The entries for to-morrow are: 2. 18 PACING CLASS-FURSE \$500. W. A. Collins's b. g. Grand Sec. F. L. Noble's b. g. Georgetown. D. B. Herrington's r. m. Ulster F. E. Dwyer's b. g. L. L. A. W. A. Ogden's g. m. Sallie C. F. Hurlay's blk. g. Raven. A. L. Sardy's br. s. Joe Jefferson. H. G. Smith's br. g. Honesty. 2.45 CLASS-PURSE \$500. Courtney's br, g. Chayton.
Sullivan's b. m. Ella.
S. Brown's r. s. Mount Morris.
Hammel's br. m. Maggie Mitch
H. MacDonald's cb. s. Dan T.
N. Payne's cn. s. Poter Pinder,
N. Payne's br. m. Little Gypgy.
Yersance's b. m. Ricctris.
Strams's g. g. Red Star.

OUR MAYOR ON THE WAR. PATW. FEARPUL OF HATCH'S GHOST. Scofield Won't Enter the Old House-The Case Dismissed by Grand Jury. The Scofield-Ferris-Hatch case was before the Grand Jury this morning, and a curious crowd gathered at the entrance to the Grand

Jury room awaiting the arrival of Mrs. Lillian E. Scofield, whose connection with the mysterious death of Broker Nat Hatch has been so full of sensational incidents.

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Sergt. Sheldon, who was on the desk at the station-house last night, tells the story of Mrs. Scofield's latest escapade as follows:

"I was sitting at the desk at about 11.45 when Officer Brady, a new man who has the post at Sixth avenue and Twentieth street, came in with Mr. and Mrs. Scofield. He said they had been wandering up and down the sidewalk in front of 64 West Twentieth street for more than an hour. Finally they got into a violent quarrel on the stoop, and the woman, in a fit of passion, crossed the street and said: 'I charge that man with murder, Arrest him.' He, of course, brought them to the station.

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"Mrs. Scofield lingered behind her husband near the door, as if she regretted her conduct and wanted to steal away. Her hair was disordered and her face was finshed. Her lips had a baked and cracked appearance, and, from this and other signs, I knew she had been drinking.

"I asked her to explain her charge.

"She said she had been recommended by her counsel, De Lancey Nicoll, to go back to the house 64 West Twentieth street. He told her she ought not to let public opinion drive her from the house she had paid for, but to live there and show she had nothing to fear.

"She decided to take Mr. Nicoll's advice, and asked Mr. Scofield to go there with her. They had dined and wined together at a hotel uptown, and as she had the keys with her she decided to go to the house that night.

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The storm, familiar to all "Jayhawkers," came in the shape of a funnel, sweeping everything before it. Houses and barns were levelled to the ground or carried into the air. to be demolished in the fall.

No loss of life has been reported as yet, but it is thought that a number of persons must have been killed.

An Extra Day at Clifton.

There will be an extra day's racing at Clifton to-morrow, beginning at 2 o'clock. The entries are First Race.—Purse \$200, for threefuriongs.
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News Summary. Lord and Lady Lansdowne leave Ottawa on their way to England. The discovery of rich deposits of gold in North Wales has been announced. Gen. Sheridan is suffering with nervous prostra-tion, caused by overwork.

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PRICE ONE CENT.

Catharine Sullivan Mortally

Crazed With Fright, Bridget O'Meara Tries to Lower Herself to the Ground With a Rope, but Falls and Receives Mertal

Burned.

of a Window to Save Themselves-They All Escape Serious Injury. Women jumping from a burning building, clambering down hatchways and making a terrible struggle for life, was the scene the appalled the residents of the neighborhood

Injuries-A Number of Women Jump Cus

of Spring and Marion streets this morning. At 10.40 o'clock smoke was discovered in the fourth floor of Hugh Gaffney's five-story brick rag and paper factory in the rear of 50 burst from the windows. At the time thirty persons were at work in the building, includ-ing seventeen women and thirty Spring street, and in a few moments fla

panie ensued. The dozen old women who were picking and assorting rags on the top floor gas from the windows and screamed wildly for help as they saw the flames sho up the hatchway and out off retreat by the single stairway, which led to the yard, and a rush was made for the rear windows, which overlooked the roofs of a row of old-fashioned three-story brick

dwollings on Marion street. The younger women reached the win s,nd leaped from them in safety to the roc

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Fireman Edwin Ford found her after the fire was extinguished. She was terribly burned and her clothing was in flames. She was lifted up tenderly, carried across the roofs and was deposited in the hallway of a Marion street house, where she was attended by an ambulance surgeon from St. Vincent's Hospital.

They had dined and wined together at a hotel uptown, and as she had the keys with her she decided to go to the house that night.

"As he drew near the place Mr. Scofield said he would go no further. 'I don't want to meet the man's ghost,' he said, half jocularly. She tried to ferce him to go in and it was in a fit of passion she had him arrested. "I told her she ought not to triffer with the policeman's time in that way." continued the Bergeant, "but she went into a fit of bitre laughter, and said; 'It's sarful to be married to a man like that."

The witnesses before the Grand Jury this morning were the painters who first discovered the body; Officers McCormick and Reardon, who were on post that night; Philip M. Seixas, Mr. Ferris's adopted son; Charles F. Hooper, who knew Mrs. Scofield under the name of Mrs. Ferris; Amen and Detective Clark. Mr. Ferris and Mr. Scofield were not summoned.

The District. Attorney stated that, in his opinion, no crime had been committed, and the Grand Jury, after hearing the evidence, refused to indict either Mrs. Scofield or Mr. Ferris. This releases Brother-in-Law Ferris from his bonds, and ends the case.

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Cedarburst Grand National There are sixteen probable starters in the Codar-hurst Grand Sational race, which will be run over the four-mile steeplechase course at Ced morrow. Among them is the celebrated Bob Miles, Mr. J. T. Williams's well-known checking horse, which has won all over the country this season. He is in at 164 pounds. Warrington, the favorite and top-weight horse, will have to since der 171 pounds. The other horses are: Jim McGowan, 165; Major Pickett, the winner of this race in 1883, 165; Referce, 168; Bananie, 159; John Henry, 157; Will Davis, 153; Wasally, 154; Charlemagne, 155; Quito, 152; Hercusa, 160; Schoolmaster, e148; Killarny, 147; Monte Cristo, 147; Retribution, 143; Mystic, 142; Alf Estill, 142; Zangbar, 142, and Falconer, 145. The race which is the fourth on the card, is an open hands cap steeplechase for a purse of \$3,500, divided.

This year's Grand National will be the hipped ever run. The winner will have cleared twenty-five fine jumps at the finish of the struggle. morrow. Among them is the celebra

The large lecture room in the Clarendon Half building was crowded this forenced by the lockedout brewerymen. President Herman Poleks, of the Beer Drivers' Union, presided. The success of last night's meeting has attinulated the brewery-men to renewed efforts to push the beyout on pool beer. More work was laid out for each man at to-day's meeting.

Local Rains, Then Fair Weather WASHINGTON, May



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